

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Takashi SHIMADA et al.

Application No.: 09/679,068

Filed: October 5, 2000

For: BUSINESS SUPPORT SYSTEM



Group Art Unit:

**SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION TO COMPLETE  
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**Attention: Box Missing Parts**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) and in response to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Notice mailed February 21, 2001, enclosed is the Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney executed by the inventor for completing the missing parts of the subject application. Also enclosed is payment for the necessary \$130.00 surcharge as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) and the filing fee of \$710.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a).

In accordance with the rules of the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, published at 1035 O.G. 3 (October 4, 1983), the attached Declaration identifies the inventor as Takashi SHIMADA et al., who is the named inventor of the subject application, as filed, and identifies the title of the invention as BUSINESS SUPPORT SYSTEM, which is the title of the subject application specification, as filed. The undersigned registered attorney states that the application entitled BUSINESS SUPPORT SYSTEM, filed on October 5, 2000 and assigned U.S. Application No. 09/679,068 is the application which the inventor executed by signing the attached Declaration.

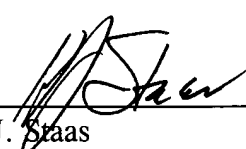
It is requested that this Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney be entered in the file for the above-referenced application and that the application be advanced to examination.

If any further payments are required in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge same to our Deposit Account No.19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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